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REFS: A. BONN 9829 (DTG 101710Z JUN 77) B. NATO 5084
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(NOTAL)

1. WHILE AWAITING A FORMAL FRG RESPONSE TO OUR AND ALLIED
COMMENTS ON THEIR APPROACH, WE DO NOT WANT TO TAKE A
POSITION ON POSSIBLE COMPROMISE PROPOSALS NOW BEING

SURFACED REFTELS.

2. FOR BONN: WE RECOGNIZE THE TENTATIVE AND PERHAPS PERSONAL NATURE OF RUECKRIEGEL'S IDEA (PARA 3 REF A), AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT SPECIAL TREATMENT OF A CERTAIN CATEGORY OF PERSONNEL SUCH AS THOSE IN INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS COULD RAISE NEGOTIABILITY PROBLEMS WITH THE EAST. WE NEVERTHELESS SEE SOME POSSIBLE ADVANTAGES TO IT AS A WAY OUT OF THE CURRENT IMPASSE. ONE CONSIDERATION IN SUCH AN APPROACH SHOULD BE WHETHER THE DATA REQUIRED IS READILY ACCESSIBLE IN AGREED FORM FOR ALL WESTERN DIRECT PARTICIPANTS. WE DO NOT WISH TO WEAKEN THE THRUST OF OUR CURRENT EFFORT TO PERSUADE THE FRG TO INCLUDE A NATIONAL BREAKDOWN OF THE "OTHER FORCES" CATEGORY IN THEIR DATA PROPOSAL,

PARTICULARLY WHEN THERE ARE SIGNS OUR ARGUMENTS MAY BE HAVING EFFECT AT THE WORKING LEVEL (REF C). THEREFORE, WITHOUT SUGGESTING THAT WE REGARD HIS IDEA AS AN ACCEPTABLE FALLBACK, YOU SHOULD ELICIT WHATEVER INFOR-

MATION YOU CAN OBTAIN INDIRECTLY ON THE STATUS OF RUECKRIEGEL'S IDEA IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. IT WOULD BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL TO HAVE EARLY NEXT WEEK ANY INFORMATION INDICATING RUTH MAY BE PREPARING TO RECOMMEND THIS COURSE TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER.

3. FOR NATO: MISSION HAS CORRECTLY NOTED SUBSTANTIAL DISADVANTAGES TO PABSCH'S SUGGESTED APPROACH (REF B). BEGIN FYI. AS NOTED IN PARA 1 ABOVE, WE DO NOT WANT TO
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FORECLOSE IT AT THIS TIME. END FYI. CHRISTOPHER

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